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ANOTHER LEAGUE IN BASKETBALL

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All Games Sanctioned and Only Registered Men Allowed to Play. Game in January.

There's a new Richmond in the bas ketball field. It is the Congressional Basketball League.

The league was formed at the Na-tional Guard armory on Monday night, at which the following were present: Colonels Beekman and Regis, of U and I Fraternity: James S. Dinnis and J. Rice, of Company G, First Regiment: R. B. Mulloy and Duncan, of the Minute Men; F. E. Sullivan, of the Shamrock Athletic Club.

The next meeting will be held on the evening of December 27 at the armory of the Minute Men.

The new league was formed as a re sult of the success of the game between the U and I Fraternity and Company G of the First Regiment. There were a number of independent teams in the city and their exhibitions were so well attended it was thought a new league would have a good chance, despite the strength of the Capital League, which in the ring and had a wide the ring and had a wide

Eight clubs are expected to have places in the new organization, but if places it will go on with six. Strict attention will be paid to the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union, all games will be sanctioned and no unregistered man will have a chance to play. The Amateur Athletic Union officials of the South Atlantic Association have already

South Atlantic Association have already been asked to take notice of the newcomer and are expected to extend it a hearty welcome.

The officers of the league are Colonel Dinnick, of the Minute Men, president; Sergt. William U. Herbert, of Company G, secretary and treasurer. The committee on rules is composed of Colonel Beekman, J. S. Dinnis, and R. B. Mulloy. J. S. Dinnis was appointed chairman of the schedule committee, on which will be one member from each team. The committee will get to work at once on a schedule for January.

CENTRAL AWARDS

Nineteen Men Publicly Receive Emblem as Preliminary to Christmas Exercises.

Yesterday afternoon the executive committee of the Central High School Athletic Association met in one of the class rooms of the school and awarded dam was Dot, by Almore, son of Alclass rooms of the school and awarded class rooms of the school and awarded the letter to nineteen of the members of this year's football squad Voucher, second dam by Red Wilkes. this year's football squad.

There is no regular rule about giving fair to be a 2:15 performer. the "C," but it is generally the custom the "C," but it is generally the custom of the association to require that a man play at least one-half of a championship game and part of another. However, in some cases it has been given to a man operated by his estate for ten years. been unable through injuries to play the required time and who in the judg- deal for a race track site at Rosedale

This afternoon in the school's exhientertalnment began, Dr. Phelps, as the president of the association, publicly awarded the letters to MacDonald, P. Taylor, Eugene Rihl, E. McKeever, P. Browning, Harlow Bristol, Jim Benedict, Koswitch, Frank Evans, Fleming, Burwell Hamilton, M. King, H. Willis, A. Bryant, Frank Smith and George Kennedy, manager of the eleven.

John B. Stewart has sold to George Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Paul, by Norval, dam Sister Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Pauline, by Wilkes Boy, for \$4,000 Watts, St. Louis, the five-year-old bay gelding St. Pauline, by Wilk

MERRY LITTLE FLEAS BROKE UP DOG SHOW

fact that dogs have fleas last night created one of the biggest contests in the history of Washington council, and almost led to an open fight between conflicting members. The Washington Kennel Club asked permission to hold its annual bench show in the auditorium of the town hall. Council thought favorable of the matter until Councilman Alexander Reed jumped to his feet with:

"I object! Even high-hydd dogs how."

with:

"I object! Even high-bred dogs have fleas and a bench show would make the room untenable for a year."

Reed immediately had supporters on the flea question and in spite of the assurance of representatives of the Kennel Club that they would thoroughly fumigate the building their request was lost in councils.

The local track and he will paigned by Harris next year.

BOXING.

Terry Martin and Arthur C been matched to box in Portla Christmas day.

Jimmy Bonner, of Summit 1

BENNETT CUP RACE

CONFERENCE CALLED

PARIS. Dec. 20 .- The automobile cor ference has decided to call another meeting for June, 1906, to consider whether the Gordon Bennett contest shall be run in 1907 or abandoned alto-

gether.
The conference has censured American automobilists for what is alleged to be poor organization of the Vanderbilt

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tific Youngster Who's No Slugger-Depends on Fitz's Hands.

HOW IT WILL BE DONE

By Robert Fitzsimmons.

"This 'old man' will win out. I am As far as I can see there is no difference between my fighting ability of today and that of ten years

ago. "In spite of all the alleged 'sharps' say about old age having caught me, I think I am as good a fighter as ever, and I expect to prove this tonight by knocking Jack O'Brien cold before the limit has been reached. "When I get done with him, he will be the worst licked man that ever crawled out of a ring. My wind was never better, I am as strong as an ox and can hit as hard as ever. That being the case, where does O'Brien come in to have a chance?"

By Jack O'Brien.

"I'll knock Fitzsimmons out, You can bet your limit on me

"If it will get you any better odds to bet that I will knock Fitzsimmons out, place your money that way. I will put Fitzsimmons out tonight as sure as the fight is started.

"I have his number. He counts altogether on his punch, but he will At that I doubt very much that he has a sleep-producing wallop left. My plan is to keep Fitz away with my left until I have him wobbling. Then I will go in and finish him.

By TAD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 .- It will all hap-Or, "Oh, of course, Fitz was always a

better man and had it on him fifty-six ways.' You don't hear any one saying either of these yet. No one seems to be posi-

of these yet. No one seems to be positive about the outcome. Betting men are frightened and admirers of both men are there with the "well, I kind of like what-you-call-em a little, but not the bets."

he exhausted himself, and only both the remaining rounds. That might so. He may do the same thing tonig no me knows.

O'Brien men feel safe in one thing-the bets. what-you-call-'em a little, but not It is really a hard fight to get a line

Fitz with all his grand experience, his punch, his grit and his record, may fade away in a round or two. No one knows whether he is right or not. His hands have gone back on him before, and there's just as good a chance tonight as ever for them to go back again. He has lit on O'Brien many ways if they do not, and—but then can a fellow bet on something he knows nothing about?

O'Brien men figure Jack to outbox and pepper the old fellow until he is blinded without any trouble. He has done it before and can do the same fore and can do the same again. He has good hands, good feet, and is a 2 to 1 shot over his opponent in cleverness. If he can stay there ten rounds he looks to be winner. Fitz may feel like a spring chicken, however, and go through Jawn as a sinker would the foreign the department of pugilism if the offights so far this year. An old man, who is a mystery, up against a young fellow who can't punch.

What are you going to do about it?

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Without any trouble. He has done it before and can do the same fence and can do the same feet and can do the same fence and can do the same

etter now than he did at that time. He did, for two rounds or so, almost nock Fitz's head off, but after that blew up. He could barely go after e fifth round, and in the round before at it was an even break. His friends y he worked so hard in the first two unds, trying to knock Fitz out, that exhausted himself, and only boxed e remaining rounds. That might be the may do the same thing tonight; one knows.

'Erien men feel safe in one thing

Youth Versus Punch. O'Brien is young and will be in great shape. He can fight twenty rounds without any trouble. He has done it be-

Personal Comment on Men and Things in the Field of Sports

A. R. Calhoun has purchased a prom May has shown extreme speed and bids

The Latonia Jockey Club has closed a Jack Hanlon, who trained and developed Harry Lewis, has taken under his management Morris Siegel, a very promising lightweight. Hanlon thinks his new fighter will make a champion. ment of the committee is entitled to two miles from Latonia, to keep the recognition.

> St. Paul and Wocanda, also owned by him. The former has shown a mile in 2:111/2, while Wocanda has been a mile

the National Trotting Association, has WASHINGTON, Pa., Dec. 20.—The sold to Frank Bower, Philadelphia, for a private price price

Terry Martin and Arthur Cote have een matched to box in Portland, Me.

Jimmy Bonner, of Summit Hill, Pa., has been matched to box Johnny Marto

THE GREAT

MEDICINAL WHISKEY

Clubs

The offer made by Al Herford of a \$3,500 purse for a fifteen-round bout between Terry McGovern and Kid Sullivan before the Eureka A. C., of Baltimore, has been turned down flat by Joe Humphreys, manager of McGovern. "There is not a chance of McGovern ever fighting Sullivan no matter if Herford offered a \$10,000 purse." says Humphreys.

BARNEY DREYFUSS SIGNS TIGER STAR

Jimmy and George Gardner, the Lowell boxers, were in Boston Saturday afternoon. George has nothing in view and Jimmy believes he will be Battling

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 20.—Barney Dreyfuss today signed A. E. Meier, the Princeton pitcher, for the Pirates. The contract was forwarded to President Pulliam tonight.

Meier, who was the best all-around player on the Princeton team two years ago, won laurels with the Pittsburg team on its barnstorming tour last season. When he left for his home in Chicago he promised Dreyfuss that should he enter the professional field, he would sign with Pittsburg. Cincinnati offered him a big salary, but he turned the offer down.

Meier is a timely and hard hitter. He

Meier is a timely and hard hitter. He won the college championship for Prince-ton in 1901 in the game with Yale, when, with the bases full and two out, he made a hit that scored two runs.

NAUGHTON WON'T

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cent to the winner, and 25 per cent to the loser

Referee-Eddie Graney, of San Club holding battle-Yosemite Ath-

letic Club.

By W. W. NAUGHTON.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.-Tonight a oung man of twenty-seven and a scanthaired veteran of over forty will throw themselves into fighting positions a

as O'Brien does today, Bob was graduate of the Jem Mace style of sparring-won trophies in Mace compe titlons, in fact-and took off his hat to no man when it came to delineating the system of punching and parrying taugh by professors of the manly art.

That Awful Punch.

As Fitzsimmons worked upward in his calling, he discarded much that he had learned. Having as a rule to handle opponents who averaged a score of unds heavier than himself, he found An article in one of the New York afternoon papers yesterday stated that, as far as could be ascertained not a single bet had been placed on the Fitzsimmons-O'Brien fight. it necessary to devise short cuts to succeed. His punching power he always had with him. He studied anatomy-located the solar plexus, fifth rib, point of the chin, and other vuinerable Paddy Nee, the Pittsburg feather-weight, broke his wrist during his fight with Young O'Leary at Kalamazoo, Mich., last week and will not be able to box for several weeks. spots-and claimed a patent on the dread Fitzsimmons "wallop," with all

Sparring partners of the speckled one ay that being able to land upon Fitzimmons' nose or stomach is no proof that Bob has slowed up or or forgotten that Bob has slowed up or or forgotten his early teachings. They say he is often a party to the assaults committed upon him. He invites a blow and is ready with the antidote that wrings from the gasping sparring partner the remark: "I expected as much."

Such being the case, it is not easy to choose between Fitz and O'Brien in the matter of cleverness. If a student of bugilism were to take the record for his guide and judge by results achieved, it would be easy enough for him to persuade himself that Fitz is the clevereness that dazzles; Fitz's is cleverness that counts. All things considered it is simply the difference in years that brings fitz and O'Brien together, as the horsemen say.

horsemen sav.

O'Brien was on the list of active boxers a half dozen years ago, but never did a promoter dream of matching him with Fitzsimmons at that time. Such an event would have been looked upon as a puglilistic mesalliance.

NELSON CALLS OFF M'GOVERN MATCH

| Engraving | 1st | Herbert | 134 | McCarty | 97 | Hutchinson | 109 | Llpp | 141 | Kilpatřick | 179 | ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 20 .- Battlins elsen, who is appearing here this week at the Gaiety Theater, stated today that the recently proposed match with Terry McGovern is now all off, as Terry has failed to take advantage of the oppor-tunity just given him to clinch a match, and he will now have to fill theatrical engagements made for some months.

UP IN NOME.

Prices up in Nome correspond with the latitude. The semi-weekly News sells for 25 cents a copy, or \$1 a month. It appears from advertisements that milk brings 25 cents a quart, and eggs \$1 a dozen.

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BRIGHTWOOD PLANS TO THE WOODS GIVE OPINION FULL OF AMBITION

Fitz-O'Brien Question Too Three Stakes of \$1,000 Each Chauffeurs Are Driven to Next Fall.

HAS OLD MAN SLOWED UP? SUCCESS JUSITFIES MOVE MAKE UP LOST TIME

Sparring Partners Say Not-Hard to Encouraging Words of Visiting Horse- Easy Going Last Night Compared to men Led Club to Branch Out. Some Improvements.

> Cold weather has stopped active sport at the Brightwood driving track, but the enthusiasm of the members has not been chilled.

Ambitious plans are afoot for Brightwood's dates in the Maryland and Virginia racing circuit next year. The the precincts to watch out for the mahorsemen who attended the races this chine and to arrest the chauffeur in year were so much pleased and were so charge if there is any violation of the

the precincts to watch out for the mahorsemen who attended the races this year were so much pleased and were so unanimous in expressing an intention to return that it is prophesied Brightwood will next season furnish the greatest harness racing ever seen in the District. Secretary Hadfield is in correspondence with the leading owners who race in this section and the answers have been most sencouraging.

One departure will be the offering of three stakes of \$1,000 each at the fall meeting, which will place the Washington track on the same level of attractiveness for big stables as the gentlemen's Driving Park. Electric Park, and Prospect Park in Baltimore. The offering of these stakes is the most pretentious effort District horsemen have made in many moons, but they were so successful this year that they will not admit that disappointment is possible.

A few additional stalls will be built next spring and further improvements made upon the grandstand.

There are now fifteen horses wintering at Brightwood, eight in the stable of Alonzo Corbin, and seven in that of Otto Zinn. Corbin's best is Jurash, 2:15, but he thinks he has a comer in Howard O. 2:35. Zinnalso thinks he has something hot in Manners, 2:35.

The election of officers will be held in January, but it is thought President John F. Javins and the others will be re-elected.

mong the bowling leagues last night. In the first, Navy, of the Departmental

League, took the set from War. In the second, Reserves took the first and last

from the Pressmen, in the G. P. O. League, and in the last, which was a match game, the Bureaus won two from the Engraving quint. Long, of the Reserves, was high for the evening, with 221.

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Forty Others Wounded in Wreck on the New York Viaduct and the Whole System Tied Up for Hours.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 .- Crowded with Christmas shoppers swelling the usual train of the New Haven railroad and one of the New York Central crashed in a mid-train collision on the viaduct con-tinuation of the Park avenue tunnel, between 104th and 105th streets, about 7:40 o'clock last evening. Only one man-J. W. Knapp, apparently of New Rochelle
-was known to be dead at midnight, but at least forty were injured, several seemingly mortally, and the whole system was blocked for hours.

All that part of the city was in a frenzy of excitement, largely through reports that men and women still living 820 were buried in the wreckage, and when, shortly before 11 o'clock, Knapp's body at last was taken from a smashed car at last was taken from a smashed car of the New Haven train, a mob thou-sands strong waiting at the 119th street station made a demonstration it requir-181 ed the reserves from two police stations 177 to suppress. One train was raked by the to suppress. One train was raked by the 964 other until most of its cars were shredded like carded wool. The other escaped with slight damage to its locomotive. On the face of it, the disaster would not have occurred if a signal said to be set for a cross-over had resulted in the stoppage of the Central train.

730 FATHER WIELDS PADDLE THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT

3d. 115 WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 20.—William 174 154 Blake was arrested today, charged with unmercifully whipping his elevenmonths-old boy. The warrant was months-old boy. 794 sworn out on complaint of neighbors. It is charged that he whipped the baby nine times Thursday night and several times on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The baby's screams were heard each time, but after the first few blows the screams were muffled. is charged that he whipped the baby nine times Thursday night and several

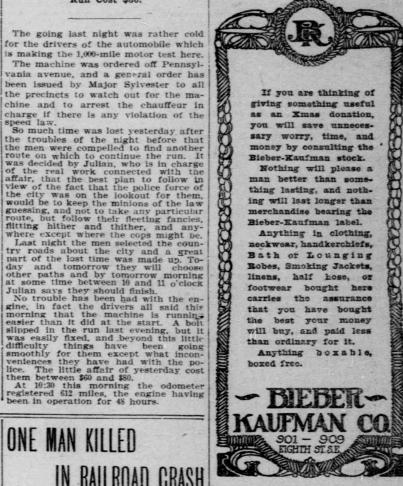
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FOOTBALL : BOWLING : TROTTING : SHOOTING CAPTAIN BROWN GAVE JEWELS ON DEATHBED

Wealthy Turfman Presented Diamonds Worth \$28,000 to Miss Martha

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 20.-It was learned yesterday that the late Capt. S. S. Brown, noted horseman and wealthy retired steel manufacturer, disposed of his collection of diamonds four days before his death to Miss Martha Lewis, who for years acted as manager of his

Captain Brown summoned Miss Lewis to his room, and while on his deathbed, in the presence of his nurse, formally presented to her jewels valued at \$25,000. The disposition of the diamonds was not disclosed when the will was filed.



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